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SUBJECT: DECEMBER 1975 QUADRIpartite DINNER: BERLIN  
AND GERMANY ASPECTS

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1. TIMING OF QUAD MEETING. AT NOVEMBER 4 BONN GROUP MEETING, BOISSIEU (FRANCE--CHAIRMAN) SUGGESTED THAT REPS RECAPITULATE INFORMATION ON TIMING AND PREPARATIONS FOR QUADRIpartite MEETING TO BE HELD IN CONNECTION WITH NATO MINISTERIAL. HE RECALLED FRG REPORT (REF B) OF US PROPOSAL FOR QUADRIpartite MEETING AFTERNOON OF DECEMBER 12, POSSIBLY FOLLOWED BY DINNER, TO WHICH GENSCHER HAD ALREADY AGREED. CALLAGHAN, HE UNDERSTOOD, WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR AN AFTERNOON MEETING DECEMBER 12, BUT WOULD HAVE TO LEAVE BY 5:00 P.M. FOR AN EVENING ENGAGEMENT IN LONDON. UK REP (HITCH) CONFIRMED THIS UNDERSTANDING. BOISSIEU SAID THAT PARIS WAS GENERALLY  
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IN AGREEMENT WITH THE US PROPOSAL BUT THAT HE WAS NOT

ABLE YET TO EXPRESS AGREEMENT TO A SPECIFIC DATE. FRG REP (LUECKING) STATED THAT, GIVEN THE BRITISH CONFLICT FOR THE EVENING OF DECEMBER 12, GENSCHER WOULD BE PREPARED TO FOLLOW THE MAY 1975 PARIS FORMAT BY HAVING A BREAKFAST MEETING EITHER DECEMBER 11 OR 12.

2. SENIOR LEVEL MEETING. BOTH BOISSIEU AND HITCH EXPRESSED AGREEMENT WITH DESIRABILITY OF SENIOR LEVEL MEETING. LUECKING ASKED ON A PERSONAL BASIS WHAT OTHER REPS THOUGHT SHOULD BE DISCUSSED AT A SENIOR LEVEL MEETING AND WHETHER THERE WAS A REAL NEED FOR IT, GIVEN TIMING PROBLEMS AND FACT THAT COMMUNIQUE PASSAGE ON BERLIN WOULD HAVE TO BE WORKED OUT VIA THE BONN GROUP. US REP REITERATED RATIONALE FOR US PROPOSAL (PARA 3.C., REF C) AND EXPRESSED STRONG US VIEW THAT MEETING DESIRABLE. (LUECKING LATER SAID HE HAD NOT YET DISCUSSED THE QUESTION WITH POLITICAL DIRECTOR VAN WELL BUT WAS CERTAIN THAT, IF OTHER ALLIES WISHED TO HAVE A MEETING, VAN WELL WOULD BE AGREEABLE IF A TIME COULD BE FOUND.)

3. ASSESSMENT AND ANOTATED AGENDA. ALL REPS REPORTED AGREEMENT WITH THE US PROPOSAL FOR AN ASSESSMENT OF THE SITUATION OVER THE PAST SIX MONTHS AND FOR AN ANOTATED AGENDA ALONG THE LINES OF THE PAPERS PREPARED FOR THE SPRING 1975 MEETING. LUECKING DISTRIBUTED A DRAFT FOR THE ASSESSMENT PORTION, WHICH WE WILL TRANSLATE AND REPORT. UK REP VOLUNTEERED TO PREPARE A FIRST DRAFT FOR THE ANOTATED AGENDA.

4. COMMUNIQUE. AS PROMISED IN THE OCTOBER 23 MEETING (REF B), LUECKING ALSO DISTRIBUTED A DRAFT TEXT FOR A PASSAGE ON BERLIN TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NATO MINISTERIAL COMMUNIQUE. HE COMMENTED THAT THE FRG CONSIDERED THE LANGUAGE IN THE SECOND PARAGRAPH OF THEIR DRAFT, CONCERNING REPRESENTATION ABROAD OF THE INTERESTS OF THE WSB, PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT IN VIEW OF ARTICLE 7 OF THE NEW SOVIET-GDR TREATY. DISCUSSION OF THE GERMAN DRAFT, THE TEXT OF WHICH FOLLOWS, WAS DEFERRED TO A SUBSEQUENT MEETING:

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THE MINISTERS REVIEWED THE DEVELOPMENTS CONCERNING BERLIN AND GERMANY WHICH HAVE TAKEN PLACE SINCE THEIR LAST MEETING IN MAY 1975. THEY TOOK NOTE OF THE DECLARATION MADE BY THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE THREE POWERS THAT NO TREATY CONCLUDED BY ANY OF THE FOUR POWERS WITH

A THIRD STATE CAN IN ANY WAY AFFECT THE RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE FOUR POWERS AND THE CORRESPONDING, RELATED QUADRIpartite AGREEMENTS, DECISIONS AND PRACTICES AND THAT THEREFORE THE RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE FOUR POWERS FOR BERLIN AND GERMANY AS A WHOLE REMAIN UNAFFECTED BY THE TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP,

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COOPERATION AND MUTUAL ASSISTANCE CONCLUDED BY THE USSR AND THE GDR ON THE 7TH OF OCTOBER 1975.

THEY EMPHASIZED, IN PARTICULAR, THAT TRAFFIC AND TIES BETWEEN THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN AND THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY AND THE REPRESENTATION ABROAD OF THE INTERESTS OF THOSE SECTORS BY THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY CONTINUE TO BE IMPORTANT ELEMENTS OF THE VIABILITY AND SECURITY OF THE CITY.

THEY WELCOME THE FACT THAT, SUBJECT TO QUADRIpartite RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES, THE RESULTS OF CSCE APPLY

TO BERLIN, AS THEY DO THROUGHOUT EUROPE, WHICH CONFIRMS  
THE ESSENTIAL CONNECTION BETWEEN THE SITUATION RELATING  
TO BERLIN AND DETENTE IN EUROPE. END TEXT.

5. COMMENT: IN ORDER TO PIN DOWN AGREEMENT ON A SENIOR  
LEVEL MEETING, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF WE COULD DISCUSS  
WITH OTHER REPS THE PREFERENCES OF US PARTICIPANTS FOR  
TIMING -- I.E., WHETHER THEY WOULD BE ABLE TO ARRIVE IN  
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BRUSSELS EARLY FOR THE MEETING, OR WOULD PREFER TO HOLD  
THE MEETING WHILE THE NATO MINISTERIAL IS IN PROGRESS.  
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